

EUROPE'S COAL FAMINE IS NOT TO BENEFIT US

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An Expert in the Business
and An Authority.

(SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAM)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 28.—Although Europe is facing a coal famine there will be no benefit derived from it by West Virginia nor by any of the coal producing states in this country, individually or collectively. That is the opinion of William Jasper Nicolls, an expert in the business and an authority. He is well known to coal operators in West Virginia and his position to speak authoritatively on any phase of the coal business is fully conceded by them.

Mr. Nicolls' reasons for declaring that this country will not benefit by the threatened European coal famine as given to the Telegram correspondent are interesting. In the beginning of his interview he started with the total coal production of the last year which was one billion, four hundred and thirty-one million tons, of which 570,000,000 tons were mined in the United States. The remainder was mined in the countries now at war—Great Britain, Germany, Austria-Hungary, France, Russia, Belgium and Japan, their importance in production being in the order named, ranging all the way from Great Britain with her 322,000,000 tons to Japan with her 22,000,000 tons.

"From these figures I have given you," said Mr. Nicolls, "it will be seen that the countries now at war in Europe are the producers of considerably more than half of the world's tonnage. To mine and transport this coal commercially requires an army of at least 500,000 men. Now, if these men are to be drafted into the fighting armies of a long-drawn-out war, who will produce this coal?"

"This is one of the few industries in which women cannot take the place of men and impoverished, devastated Europe must soon turn to the United States to replenish her diminishing supply of coal. And this is where Europe will meet with disappointment, for even with our superb annual output of 570,000,000 tons, it is doubtful where we could give the warring nations very much assistance. We have used for all our coal at home; we used practically all of it last year, only a fractional part of this enormous coal output was exported in 1913—about 25,000,000 net tons—and this small amount would be about as much as we would have to spare for foreign shipment. A very small amount to help refuel the European coal bins—empty coal bins that must be filled every year with 785,000,000 tons of coal. Even though we could produce the coal or any appreciable amount of it, we must consider another thing, and that is the question of transportation. Unfortunately our mines are not situated on or near the sea coast, but at a distance inland, and our coal-carrying railroads are already taxed to their utmost capacity to move the domestic coal tonnage that is offered them. A sudden demand from abroad that would materially increase our production would find the railroads unable to transport it from the mines to the vessels.

"Nor could we increase our production, even though we had the necessary transportation facilities. There is no surplus of miners in the United States. The tonnage of 1913 gave steady employment to every miner who wanted work, and there can be no sudden increase of the labor that would be necessary in order to fill any large foreign orders.

"That these orders are pending seems almost certain. Italy—a neutral country with a population of 30,000,000—produces only an insignificant output of 300,000 tons of inferior coal, the balance necessary to maintain life in her homes and industries must be obtained from her neighboring coal producing countries. If these countries continue their record of the enlistment of miners, the slaughter of able bodied men; the

wanton destruction of bridges and railroads destroyed by military orders, the steady life giving stream of coal from the mines to the consumer must soon meet with serious interruption; and that means a coal famine, not only in warring Europe, but to all other countries now dependent on the warring nations for their supply.

"That the United States is not prepared to supply any great deficiency in the foreign production of coal is a fact well known to those who are familiar with the facts.

"We now stand at the head of all coal producing nations. Our yearly output will soon be twice that of our former rival, Great Britain. We produce more coal each year than the combined output of all the other coal producing countries in the world including Germany, Austria-Hungary, France, Russia, Belgium, Japan and China. But we consume nearly all of it at home, which is the best evidence of this country's prosperity, of its industries and what they signify—power."

AUSTRIANS

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Ruthenian people of the city."

FANATICAL RIOTING IN TURKISH CITY

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
PETROGRAD, via London, Nov. 28.—A despatch received here from Odessa describes an outbreak of fanatical rioting in Erzerum. Despatches reaching Odessa from this Turkish city say that following the posting of a proclamation calling the Mohammedans to a holy war all the Armenian clubs, churches and schools were demolished by a mob. Four Armenians were killed on the streets.

TURKISH MINISTERS DEPART FOR EGYPT

BERLIN, by wireless to Sayville, Nov. 28.—The following information was given out today by the official press bureau:

"Enver Pasha, the Turkish minister of war, and Djemal Pasha, the minister of marine, have left Egypt. Turkish newspapers commenting upon the situation in the Mediterranean brought about by Turkish action say that if Turkey liberates Egypt political dissension will disappear. "Since the French establish a naval base at Bizerta, Tunis, Italy has been threatened in the Mediterranean. She has likewise been menaced at Bengal by the British naval base in the Gulf of Soolom. Italy is thus in a perplexing situation. Victory for Turkey and her allies, these newspapers say, will extricate Italy from these dangers.

"The Tassiri Eskiar of Constantinople, says that Russia's only way of approach to Constantinople is by way of Vienna since Italy and Roumania are the masters of the Russians in the Adriatic as well as in the Black sea.

BATTLE IS RESUMED IN WESTERN POLAND

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
BRILIN, Nov. 28, via The Hague and London, Nov. 29.—After a few days of comparative pause in the operations the battle in western Poland is again in full progress. General Mackensen's army, which has been marking time since its victory over the Russians at Lovicz on November 24, has resumed the offensive in this region. The Russians, according to an official report, are attacking heavily but unsuccessfully the German right wing near Noworodnisko and Morathain.

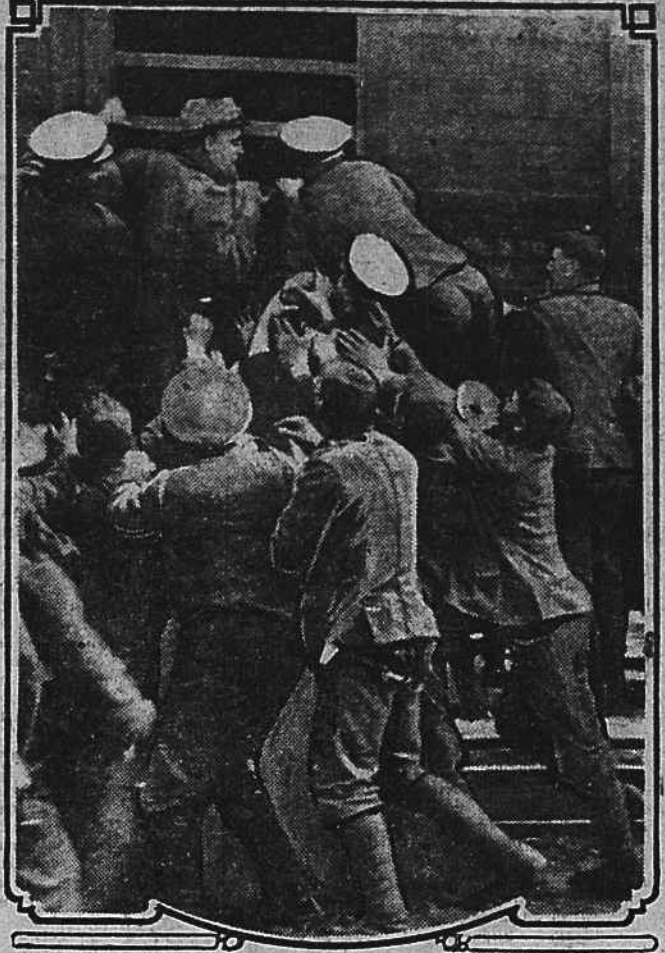
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shuttleworth arrived home Saturday morning from Hot Springs, where they spent several weeks.

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HERE'S BRITISH BREAD LINE IN FRANCE



British soldiers in France besieging a supply train arriving in camp with a consignment of bread for the soldiers.

NO SWEEPING

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fighting continues. German Success Claimed.

General von Hindenberg, who has just been made a field marshal by Emperor William in recognition of the protection he and his troops have given the East Prussian frontier, in an army order issued at Thorn says the Germans have brought the Russian offensive to a standstill and inflicted heavy losses. To the west of Noworodnisko the Germans also claim to have repulsed the Russians while for the army which is advancing to besiege Cracow the Russian headquarters announces a "decisive success."

In the last few days fighting in this region the Russians, according to their official report, captured 15,000 prisoners, forty cannon, twenty machine guns, and some general staff officers.

This battle, although it is considered in military circles here not to be as important as that around Lodz, would open the way for the Russians into southern Silesia if they are successful.

Allies Still Waiting. In the west the allies are still waiting for the new attack by the Germans which has been so long promised. All communication between Belgium and Holland has been stopped so that nothing authoritative can be learned of what the Germans are doing. Reports continue, however, of large German forces moving west, some of them with boats and bridge building material.

It is believed in London that the next attempt of the Germans to get through to the French coast will be made south of the Franco-Belgian border, perhaps in the vicinity of Arras.

Report German Cruiser Sunk. Following the report from Petrograd of damage inflicted upon the German fleet by the Russians in September comes the announcement through Paris that the German cruiser, Hertha, has been sunk near Libau. There also are rumors that the German battleship, Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse has been torpedoed in the Baltic sea. Both these reports lack confirmation.

The British admiralty, it is believed, has solved the mystery of the sinking of mines off the north coast of Ireland. British ships have arrested two trawlers, one a Norwegian and the other Danish, which made their headquarters at Fleetwood on the English coast of the Irish sea on a charge of having laid the mines which proved so disastrous to British.

ENEMY AT A STANDSTILL SAYS VON HINDENBERG

AMSTERDAM, via London, 8 p. m., Nov. 28.—A telegram from Thorn, West Prussia, gives an army order issued by General von Hindenberg, commander of the German army in Russian Poland, stating that "in the severe fighting lasting several days my troops brought to a standstill the offensive of the numerically superior Russian army."

The army order repeats the contents of a telegram sent by Emperor William congratulating General von Hindenberg on his new success; thanking him and his troops for the protection they afforded to the eastern frontier and promoting the general to the rank of field marshal. The army order concludes:

"I am proud of having reached the highest military rank at the head of such troops. Your fighting spirit and perseverance has in a marvelous manner inflicted the greatest losses on the enemy. Over 60,000 prisoners, 150 guns, about 200 machine guns have fallen into our hands. But the enemy is not yet annihilated. Therefore go forward with God for our king and the Fatherland till the last Russian is subdued and at our feet. Hurrah!" and neutral shipping.

First Urchin—Say, Chimmie, wot's dis strategy 'ing yer talk about?

Second Urchin—Well, it's like dis: suppose yer run out of ammunition 'an' yer don't want de enemy ter know it den it's strategy ter keep on firin.—Boston Transcript

VEHICLES AS BEDS

By Civilian Visitors to Any of the Villages Near the Firing Line in War.

(Correspondence of Associated Press)
JONCHERY, Nov. 28.—The civilian visitors to any village near the firing line are usually compelled to sleep in the vehicles in which they came. As to getting anything to eat or drink, this is almost impossible. The restaurant or innkeeper always declares that all food has been requisitioned by the soldiers. If the visitor has brought his provisions with him, he may eat them at the inn, but nothing can be cooked in the place owing to the lack of fuel.

The visitor may not go out into the streets between 6 o'clock in the evening and 5 o'clock in the morning, as severe are the restrictions of martial law. Should he break the regulations, he is arrested and kept in the gendarmery until an escort has been provided, which accompanies him to some city far to the rear, and he is put under parole not to approach the lines again during the campaign.

COAL STOLEN

By a German Cruiser from a Norwegian Ship Sailing in Chilean Waters.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
LONDON, Nov. 28, 2:44 a. m.—Reuters Christiana correspondent says a telegram received there from Antofagasta states that a German cruiser stopped the Norwegian ship, Helicon, in Chilean waters and compelled her to give up her cargo of coal. The captain of the steamer reported that the north side of the Helicon was badly crushed during the transfer of the coal and that the vessel must dock for repairs.

FRESH TROOPS

Of the Allied Forces Sing and Others Cry as They March toward the Yser.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
LONDON, Nov. 29.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Amsterdam says: "Friday morning fresh troops who recently arrived at Bruges, marched toward the Yser. Some were singing; others were crying as the Yser has a bad reputation. A high officer addressed the troops at Bruges Thursday and promised to take them to Calais."

"Several natives of Flanders were arrested as spies after the bombardment of Zeebrugge."

TO RELEASE PRISONERS.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris, 7:25 p. m., Nov. 28.—The Swiss government has arranged an agreement between France, Germany and Austria under which civilian prisoners between the ages of 45 and 60 shall be released if they are found medical unfit for military service. The agreement affects several thousand nationals of the three countries concerned.

WILL RENOUNCED

By Martinsburg Widow Whose Husband Left Her Only \$10.

MARTINSBURG, Nov. 28.—Because she was bequeathed only \$10 by the will of her husband, who lately died, Mrs. Mary Becker Hess formally renounced the will at the office of the county clerk. The husband, Edward L. Hess, left his entire estate, except the \$10 to his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Hess. The latter qualified as administratrix of the bond of \$5,000.

"I want you to understand," said Young Spender, "that I got my money by hard work."

"Why, I thought it was left to you"

BANDITS

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faction of the Mexican controversy have gotten control of Pando. While they have looted many Mexican stores they have not injured Americans or their interests so far as reported. The American consul and naval authorities at Tampico are arranging to care for any refugees who may come into Tampico from the Pando oil districts.

CARRANZA'S FORCES ARE MOVING TOWARD GUAYMAS

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NOGALES, Ariz., Nov. 28.—Private advices received here today say that Carranza forces are moving on Guaymas both by land and water with General Iturbide and the deposed governor, Rivera Sinaloa, commanding the land troops.

Word received from Mazatlan is that a decree has been issued imposing a fine of \$1,000 on anyone refusing Obregon money at face value.

CARRANZA TO STAY IN JALAPA A FEW DAYS

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
VERA CRUZ, Nov. 28.—General Venustiano Carranza is in Jalapa tonight and is expected to remain there for two or three days to become acquainted with the people of that district. He was accompanied by Generals Obregon and Aguilar. General Heriberto Jara was left in command of the garrison here. General Lugo Blanco, who was the last of the Constitutional leaders to evacuate Mexico City, is now here as a prisoner at the disposition of the military authorities.

FORT TURNED OVER BY MUTINOUS MEXICANS

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
EL PASO, Tex., Nov. 28.—An unconfirmed report was given out by officials at Juarez tonight saying that the fort of Mazatlan on the west coast had been turned over to the convention government by a mutiny of the Carranza troops. The Carranza consulate here admitted a lack of definite information.

BIDS SUBMITTED

To St. Louis Firms for Nearly 2,000,000 Flannel Army Shirts for British.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 28.—Bids for 1,700,000 flannel army shirts for British soldiers were submitted by several local firms today. The contract, which is to be awarded next week, will amount to more than two million dollars.

An order for 7,000 sets of artillery harness costing \$175,000 was given to a St. Louis manufacturer today. Shipment of the saddles is to begin next week. Another firm announced tonight it had just shipped 45,000 suits of underwear for army use to Amsterdam and 12,000 blankets to Mexico.

AMERICAN TROOPER

And a Mexican Woman Are Wounded by Stray Bullets across Mexican Border

NACO, Ariz., Nov. 28.—Stray bullets from the Naco, Sonora, siege struck two more persons on the American side today. A trooper of the Ninth cavalry and a Mexican woman were wounded.

An unusual number of shells and rifle bullets struck on the American side during the renewal of the attack on General Hill's Carranza garrison by Governor Maytorena's Villa troops. Hill's men set up a one-pounder sixty feet from the United States custom house.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS PAY FIRST INSTALLMENT.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Banks of the federal reserve system continued during the last week to pay the first instalment of reserves to the regional banks. A statement of the condition of the twelve banks at the close of business yesterday showed an increase in gold holdings over November 20 of \$24,000,000 and an increase in cash of \$21,700,000 at the same time.

GUNMEN KILL

William Doyle, a Reputed Member of Gopher Gang, in the City of New York.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Five gunmen used a telephone tonight to find William Doyle, said to be a member of the "Gopher" gang and known as "Little Patsy," and a short time later shot and killed him. The slayers have not been caught nor identified. The shooting of Doyle is following closely on the murder of Barney Baz, a wealthy poultry dealer, who is believed to have been shot by gang members, caused the police to believe that there might be some connection between the two killings. All known gang adherents are being sought.

EARTHQUAKE

Of Violence in Western Greece and Ionian Islands Is Reported.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
PARIS, Nov. 28.—7:27 p. m.—A violent earth shock occurred in western Greece and the Ionian Islands yesterday according to a despatch from Athens to the Havas news agency. The shock was particularly severe between the island of Santa Maura and the island of Corfu. Three deaths so far have been reported. Considerable damage was done to

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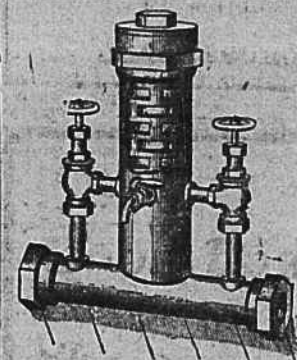
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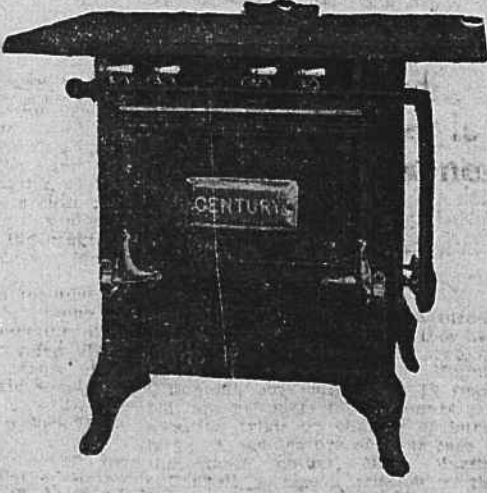


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